

MEMORIES



OF TEMPERANCEVILLE SCHOOL

Temperanceville, Virginia

1921-1978



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When the pupils left Temperanceville Primary School on June 2, 1978, they, and many of their parents and grandparents, said farewell to an old friend. The school, built in 1921, served the pupils of Atlantic District as a high school, an elementary school and finally, as a primary school. The closing of Temperanceville was brought about by the reorganization resulting from the construction of the new Arcadia High School.

The purpose of this book is to leave you with a collection of pictures, facts and memories that, hopefully, will be a valuable treasure to reflect upon and review many, many years from now.

Margaret T. Miles



In 1912, Temperanceville School had its beginnings at its present site as a wood-framed rectangular shaped building with two classrooms on the lower floors and two above. There was a large entrance hall on the front with two stairways, one on either side leading to the rooms above and into a small room over the entrance hall which was used for a music room and served as a classroom when needed for small classes, such as Latin. Besides the pupils from Temperanceville, some came from Makemie Park, Greta Post Office, and Assawoman. For five months of the year, Assawoman was furnished a school wagon, which was one of the few in use in Accomack County. A few years later, an addition was added on the back of the school, adding two large rooms. After this addition was made, pupils came from other towns, including Hallwood, Mappsville, Oak Hall, New Church, Atlantic, Grotons, and Messongo, with all either furnishing their own transportation, mostly horse-drawn vehicles, or boarding in town. Parents were permitted to build stables at the back of the schoolyard.

Ten grades were taught here until 1916, when another grade was added. Eleven years constituted the normal requirement for graduation until 1948 when the twelfth grade was added.

In 1921, a new brick building was completed with an auditorium, office, library and basement. The former building was moved aside and used for an elementary school. A small building, once Dandy Hope's store, was used for an agricultural building. Home Economics, one of the first programs in Virginia to be taught in a cottage, was added and a cottage was built on the premises. This

building was moved to Atlantic High School in 1942, when Temperanceville was no longer a high school. (The same teacher, Mrs. Avalon D. Bodley, taught there in the cottage until 1969.)

In January 1942, Temperanceville was an elementary school, grades 1 through 6. This continued until 1970, during which time many changes and improvements in the educational process were made.

In 1970, the school was again reorganized. When the Accomack County Public Schools were integrated, Temperanceville became a primary school housing the first and second grades for most of Atlantic District. In 1974 kindergarten was added to the public schools program and Wallops children were placed under the direction of Temperanceville School.

This beloved school has served and met the educational needs of many generations of Atlantic District residents. In the following pages we will pictorially reminisce about these years.



Elementary Classes of 1920's



Ninth Grade Class 1925-1926



Elementary Class of 1920's



Temperanceville High School Band



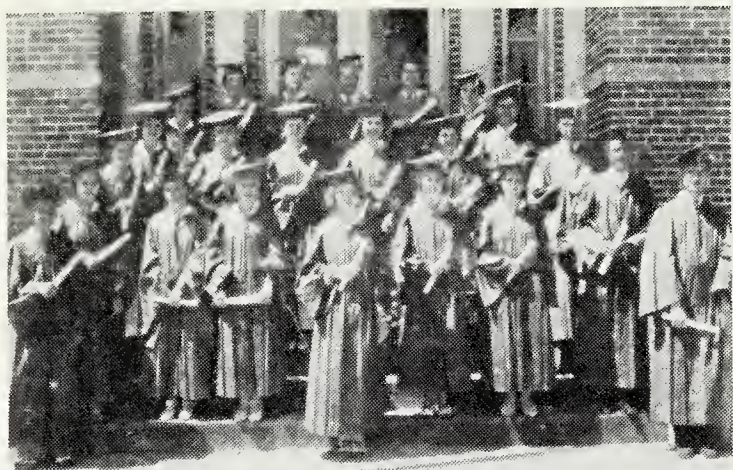
Seniors — 1925



Junior Class of 1926



Graduating Class of 1927



Class of 1932



Class of 1936



Physical Education — 1947



Lunch is Served — 1947



Christmas Play — Grade 1 — 1953



Grade 1 — Mrs. Gladning — 1954



Grade 3 — Mrs. Owens — 1954



Grade 7 — Mrs. Gladden — 1954



Grade 5 — Mrs. Mason — 1954



Grade 4 — Mrs. Gillette — 1955



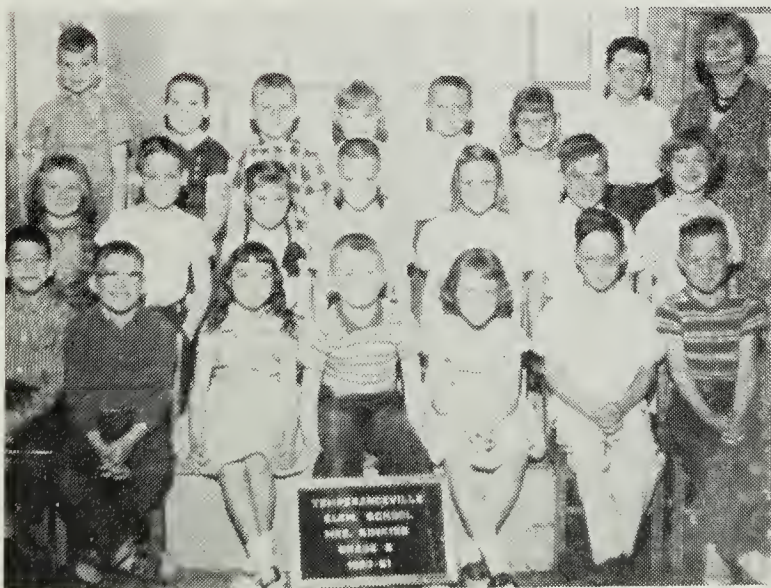
May Day Activities — 1959



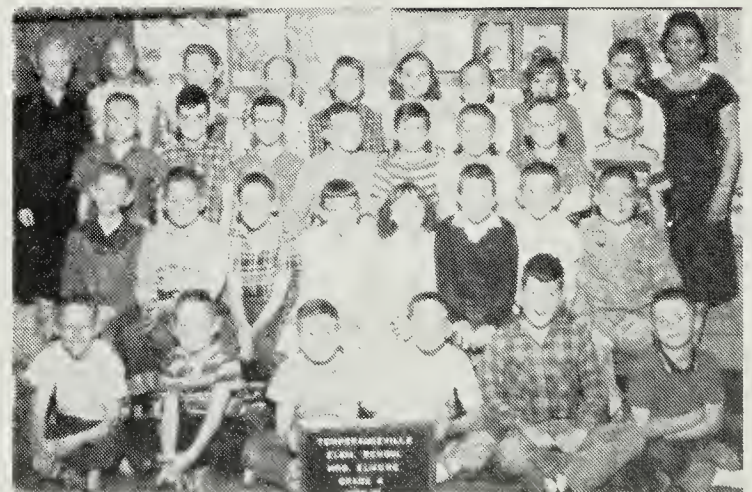
Marching Band — Grade 2 — May Day 1958



Grade 3 — Mrs. Glenn — 1960-61



Grade 2 — Mrs. Simpkins — 1960-61



Grade 4 — Mrs. Elmore — 1960-61



Grade 6 — Mrs. Bloxom — 1960-61



Grade 1 — Mrs. Holden — 1976-77



**Wallops Kindergarten Class
Mrs. Jones — 1975-76**



**Kindergarten Field Trip
1975-76**



**Taping of Anti-Litter Poem
1978**



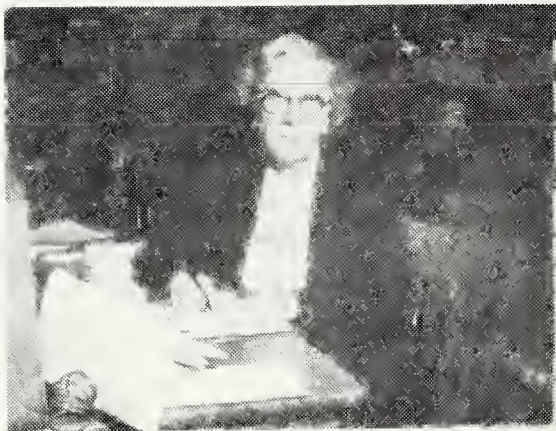
**Halloween Activities
1978**



Second Place Winners — Beautification Awards — 1978

Principals that have served the present Temperanceville School:

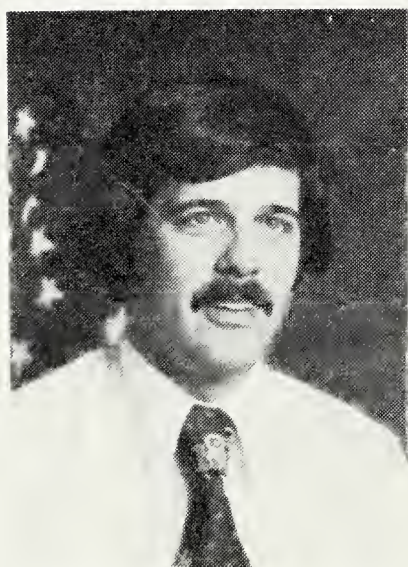
1921-1925 — Mr. Jacob Kelly
1925-1926 — Mr. Marvin Maiden
1926-1936 — Mr. George Gillette
1936-1937 — Mr. John D. Meade
1937-1941 — Mr. Reide Onley
1941-1943 — Mr. John C. Justis



**Miss Nan Byrd
1943-1958**



**Mrs. Annie Laurie Owens
1958-1974**



**Mr. William Dryden
1974-1977**



**Mrs. Margaret T. Miles
1977-1978**

**Teachers — Temperanceville Primary School
1977 — 1978**



Mrs. Margueritte Hill, Mrs. Faye Hudson, Mrs. Gwendolyn Holden, Mrs. Deborah Jones, Mrs. Kathryn Glenn, Mrs. Nancy Noble, Mrs. Frances Latimer, Mrs. Eulalee Gilliss.



Miss Augusta Parks — Librarian



**Wallops Kindergarten Teachers:
Miss Karen Kehm, Mrs. Dorothea Smith
(Absent — Mrs. E.K. Jones)**

Teacher Aides — Temperanceville Primary School — 1977-1978

**Mrs. Juanita Laws
Mrs. Patsy Ellis
Mrs. Beatrice Tull**



**Wallops Kindergarten Aides
Mrs. Patricia Jones
Mrs. Anne Hunter**

**Library Aide
Mrs. Mildred Ewell**



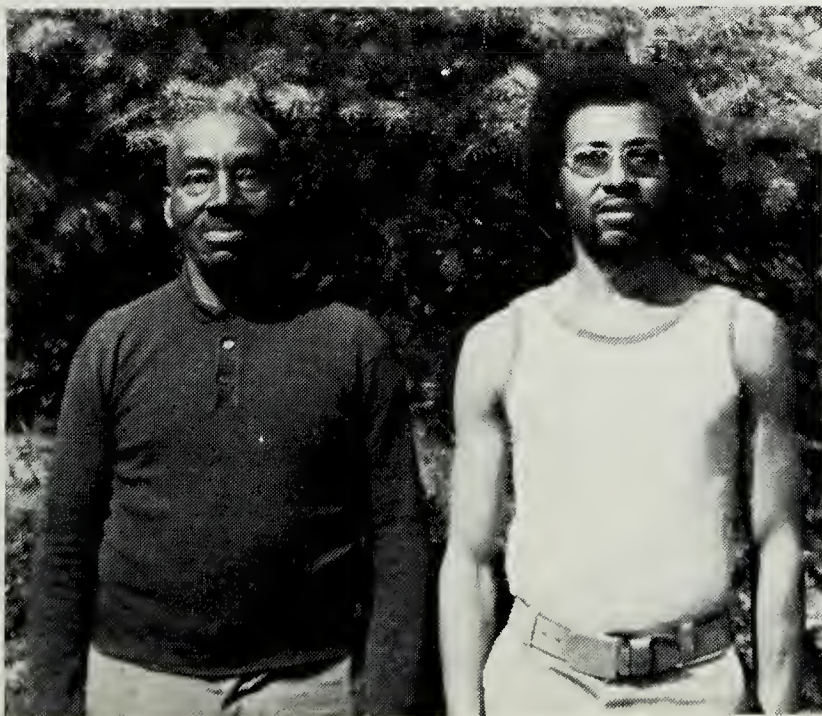
Staff — Temperanceville Primary School — 1977-1978



**Secretary
Mrs. Fairye Lewis**



**Lunchroom Staff
Mrs. Faye Hill
Mrs. Daisey Ward — Manager
Mrs. Patricia Verbeck**

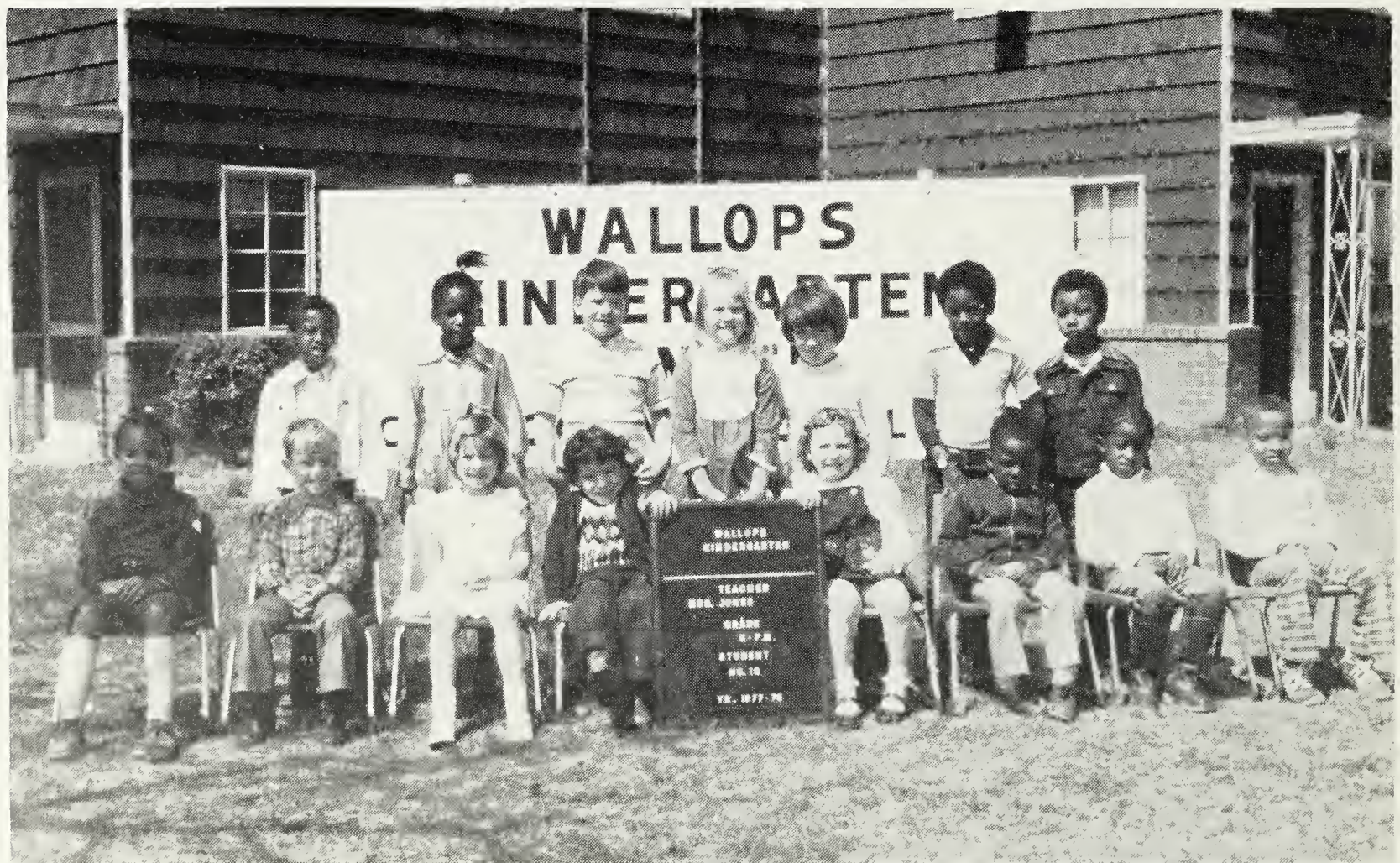


**Past Custodian — 23 Years
Mr. George Wessels
Present Custodian
Mr. Shian Lankford**

Students — Wallops Kindergarten — 1977-1978



Mrs. Elizabeth K. Jones — Kindergarten Class — 1977-1978



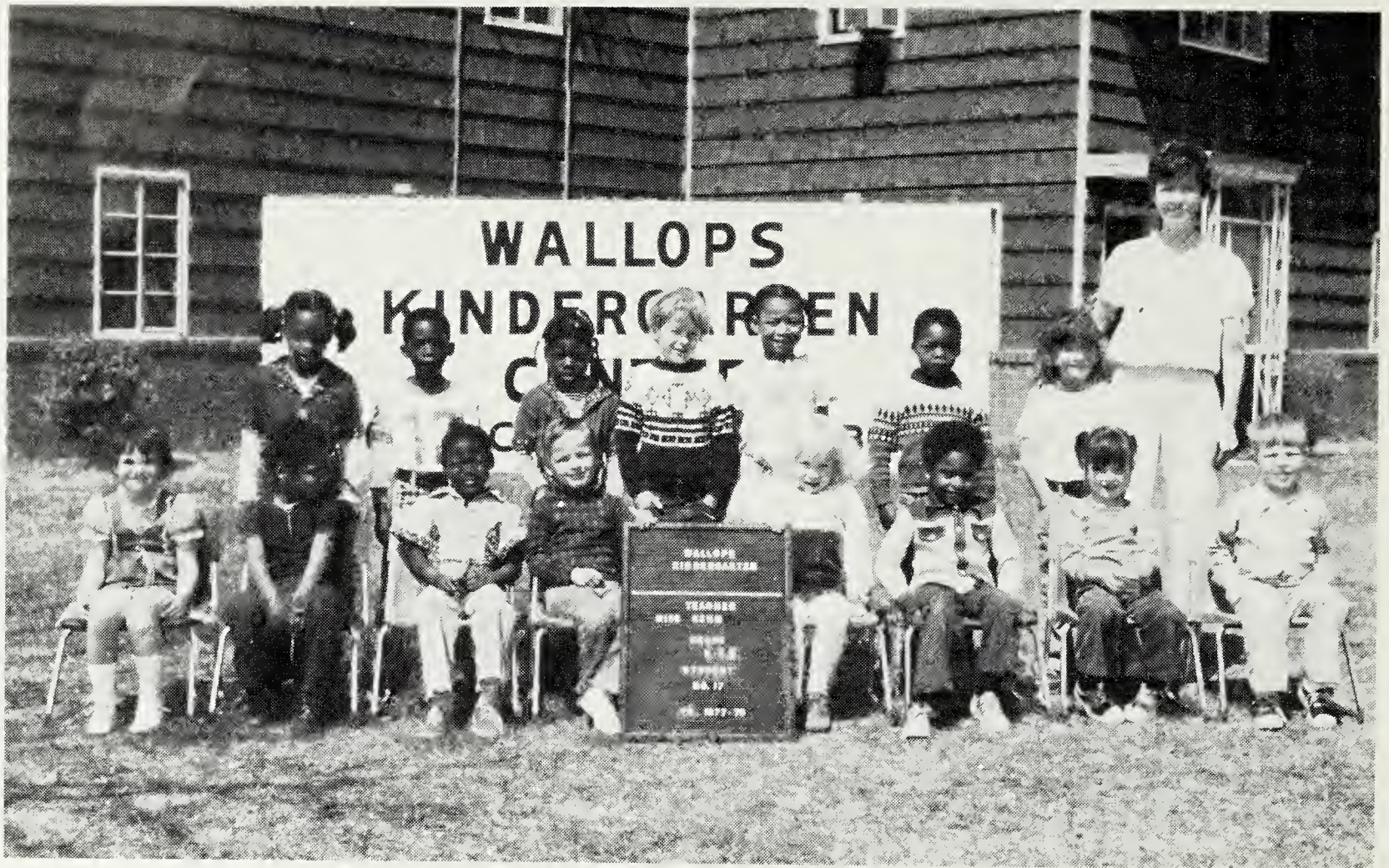
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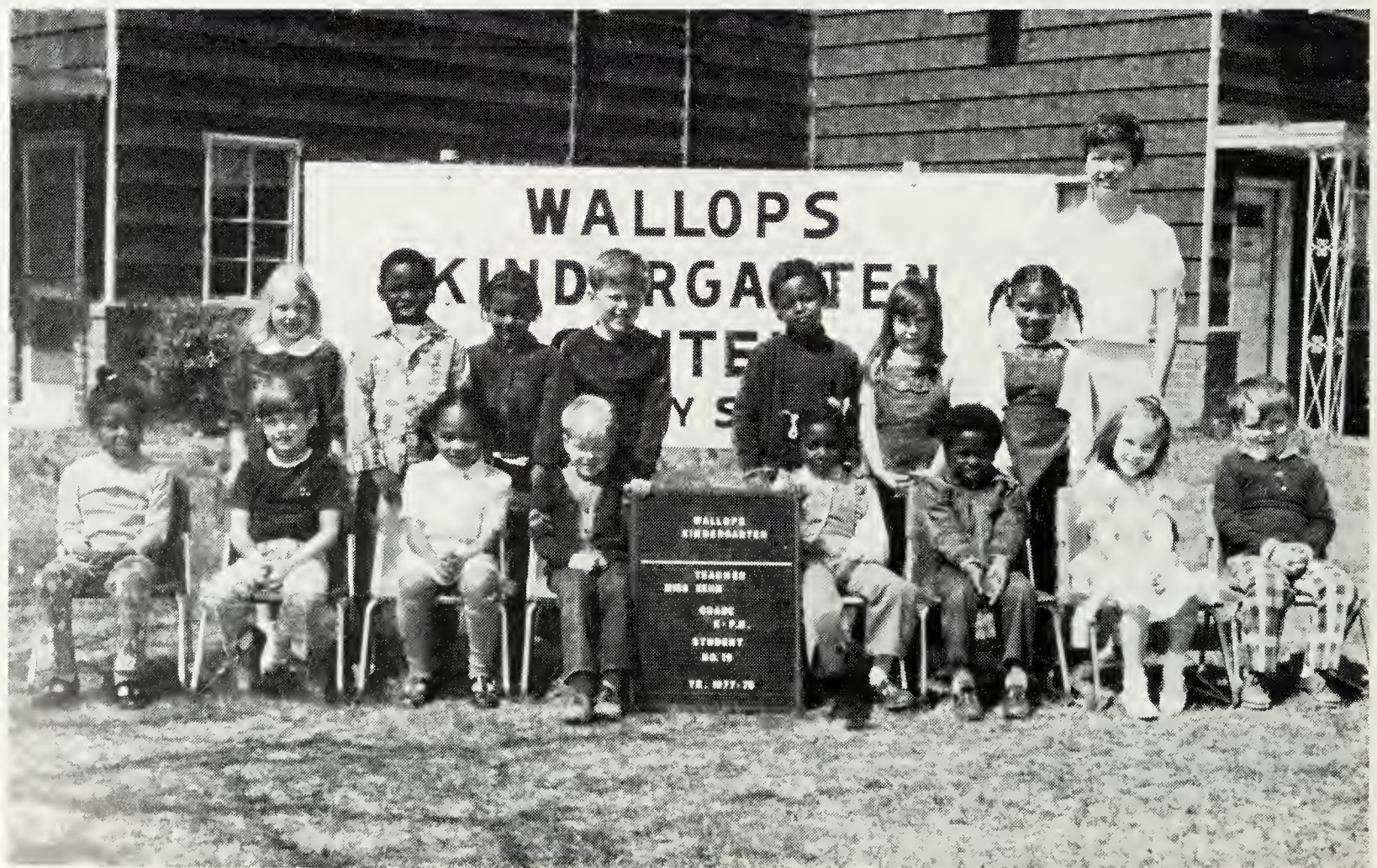
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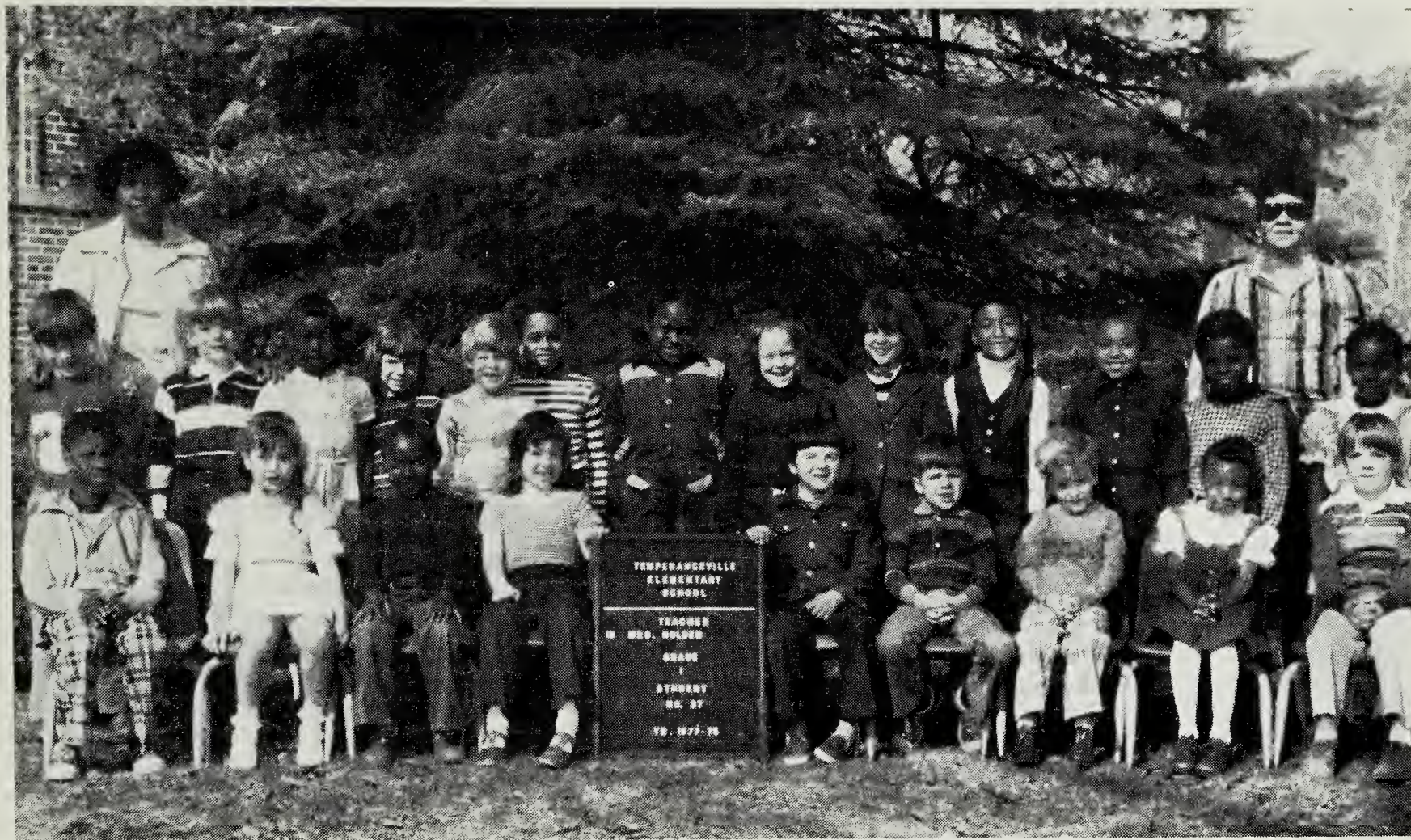


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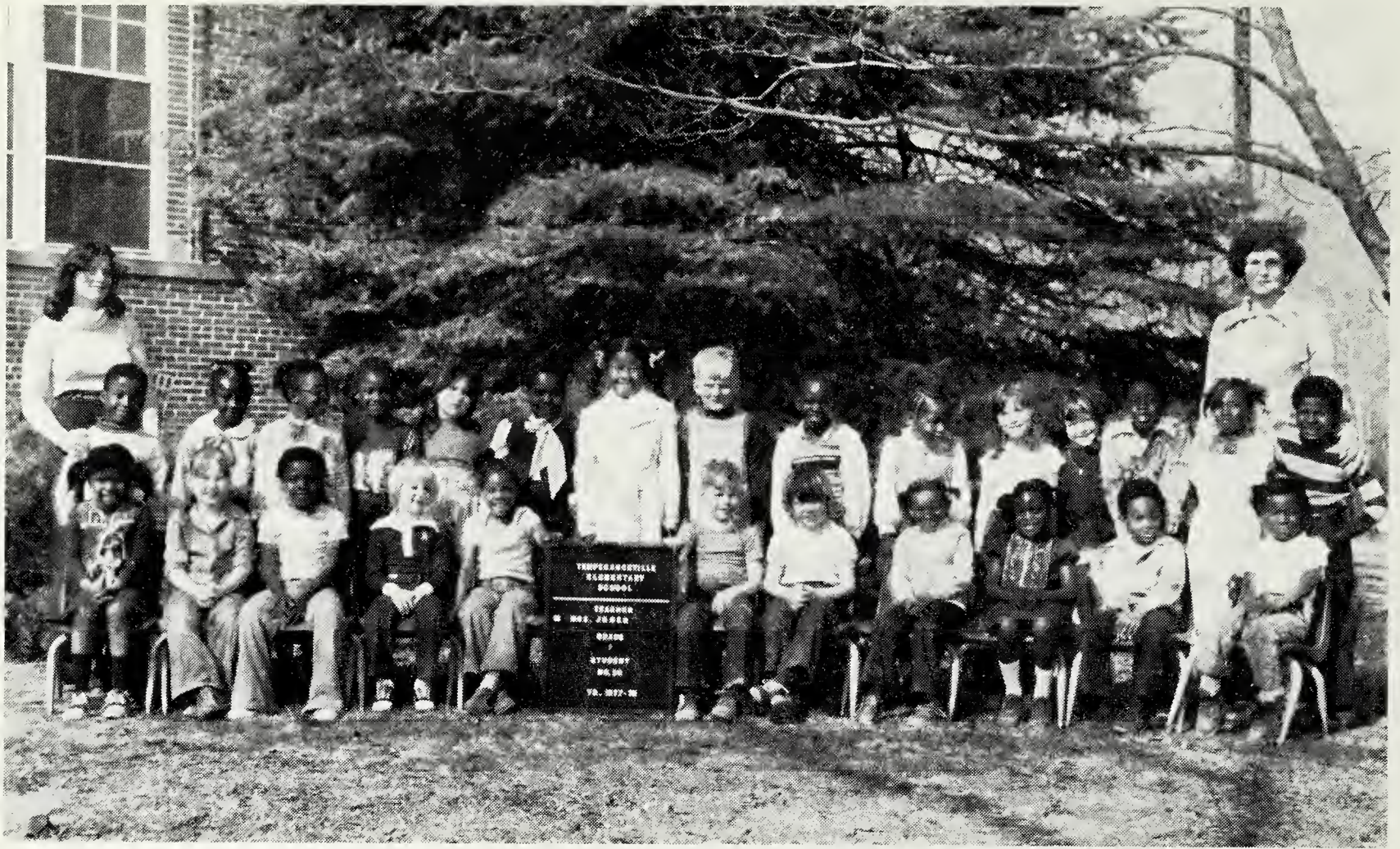
Students — Temperanceville Primary School — 1977-1978



Grade 1 — Mrs. Gwendolyn Holden — Teacher



Grade 1 — Mrs. Nancy Noble — Teacher



Grade 1 — Mrs. Deborah Jones — Teacher



Grade 1 — Mrs. Frances Latimer — Teacher



Grade 2 — Mrs. Faye Hudson — Teacher



Grade 2 — Mrs. Kathryn Glenn — Teacher



Grade 2 — Mrs. Eulalee Gilliss — Teacher



**Elementary Supervisors
Mrs. Nola Dennis, Mrs. Lucy Phillips
with Principal and students from Grade 1**



**Dr. Donald F. Fletcher — Chairman
of Accomack County School Board
with Lunchroom Staff and Principal**



Students at Play



Grade 1 students pose ...



Mrs. Hill at Work



Christmas Luncheon



Temperanceville School has been a place of learning that has been occupied with wonderful children and devoted and dedicated teachers and staff in a community of interested, hard-working people. It is this type of environment which makes our challenge as educators great and our efforts worthwhile.

As of June 2, 1978, the name Temperanceville School is written only in records, but the ideals and goals it taught to the members of its community will never cease. Hopefully, this book will be a valuable collection of past and present days spent at Temperanceville School — now only wonderful memories.

